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To

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2. Thiru. Palanivel Thiagarajan  
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Respected Chief Minister and other concerned authorities,

Sub: Rs 6066 Crore Corruption Complaint on Adani and others in  
Coal import scam – Investigation needed

While you had assumed charge, time and again, your Government made several promises and statements that the Corruption and financial malpractices of the previous Government will be investigated. In particular, the Finance Minister was categorical in expressing the financial malpractices in TANGEDCO leading to huge losses and debt. However, even after 1.5 years of assuming office, your Government has so far not taken any steps to investigate the massive Coal import scam of the previous Government to the tune of Rs 6066 Crores of which

around Rs 3000 Crores of Corruption was done by Adani Global Pte Limited alone. In light of the Hinderburg Research reported recently about the network of shell firms formed outside the country, it gains even more national importance to investigate the complaint atleast now as we learn that the proceeds of the coal import scam were parked by Adani Global Pte Ltd outside the country. It also needs to be investigated if this is the money that is being routed through shell companies as investment into the public limited companies of Adani. We had submitted a detailed complaint dated 06/08/2018 and additional evidences dated 15/04/2019 regarding the coal import scam that has swindled TANGEDCO. The evidences included the following

1. Evidences of how the tender conditions were changed massively after 2011 inorder to favour Adani Global Pte Ltd and a small coterie of firms importing coal. CAG itself has found that the turnover requirement for even tender value of Rs 100 Crores were increased to almost Rs 1000 Crores inorder to favour a few firms such as Adani Global Pte Ltd.
2. Evidences of how Adani Global Pte Ltd and a few others were handed over tenders at atleast \$15 to \$20 more than the market rate per metric ton. The proof of market price included the market price published by the Indonesian Government itself. Apart from this, we also attached evidences of how TNPL imported similar quality coal in the same month as TANGEDCO at average of \$19.15 less than TANGEDCO per metric ton. Evidences of these prices and purchase orders were obtained through RTI.
3. CAG itself has found that in one third of the consignments checked, the quality of coal was between 4000 to less than 6000 K.Cal while the actual quality of coal should have been 6000 K.Cal as per specification. CAG calculated penalty leviable on these firms as Rs 814 Crores in one-third of the consignment alone due to poor quality. It must be understood that this further resulted in inefficient thermal power leading to more losses.
4. Copy of Directorate of Revenue Intelligence report on the Coal import overinvoicing scam through the country including TANGEDCO.
5. All the above losses put together in pricing and quality for import of 2.44 Crore metric ton was Rs 6066 Crores. The detailed workings of the losses are presented in our complaint dated 06/08/2018. Adani Global Pte Ltd alone was given order of 1.19 Crore metric ton in this and the losses due to Corruption of Adani Global Pte Ltd and TANGEDCO were Rs 3000 Crores.

Inspite of such strong evidences of CAG report, Market prices and comparative prices with TNPL, DVAC has not carried out an investigation till date. The DVAC under the previous Government inorder to cover their party Minister Natham Viswanathan and others had closed the complaint without a proper investigation. Even after several remainders to the DVAC after the formation of your Government, DVAC is not taking up investigation into the above issue. Given the strong appearance of cognizable offence, FIR under the Prevention of Corruption Act and other IPC sections needs to be filed immediately and an unbiased investigation needs to happen. Therefore, I am sending the complaints dated 06/08/2018 and additional evidences dated 15/04/2019 along with all the annexure evidences.

I request you to immediately direct the DVAC to carry out an investigation into the Coal Import Scam or form a Special Investigation Team to carry out an unbiased investigation against Adani Global Pte Ltd and others involved. It is extremely important that Rs 6000 Crores lost by TANGEDCO which is parked outside the country by Adani Global Pte Ltd and others are recovered back from Adani and others immediately. Our TANGEDCO's debt increased to more than a lakh crore because of big scams such as these in collusion with Adani Global Pte Ltd and others. It must be noted that such scams on our PSUs are an assault and attack on India and its national security. Therefore, I request you to immediately take steps to carry out a thorough investigation into the above complaint.

Sincerely



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Enclosure:

1. Complaint by Arappor dated 06/08/2018 along with annexure evidences including copies of purchase orders, market price, DRI report and CAG report – Pages 1 to 82
2. Additional evidence complaint dated 15/04/2019 with annexure evidences of TNPL purchase orders showing the huge difference in purchase rates of TANGEDCO and TNPL for same quality coal import – Pages 83 to 99.